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William Paterson Students travel to Williamsburg!



Jamestown, Virginia

Brittany Grant, a student representative from the History Club, reported a successful event to Williamsburg. "The students who were lucky enough to participate in the trip to Colonial Williamsburg were able to witness the historic beauty of the town and also the exciting historical hauntings of Williamsburg after dark. Our knowledgeable and personable tour guide, John Sutton, pointed out the variety of buildings, such as the Blacksmith's shop where you could enter and learn about its significance during the colonial period. Many sampled the delicious tavern food and were able to experience fun shows and activities, as well as plenty of shopping right outside of town.

The accommodations were an added bonus. The hotel suites were amazing in addition to the wonderful buffet breakfast to start each day. On Sunday we were able to visit Jamestown to watch glass blowing demonstrations and see artifacts of the first American colony. We also reenacted the Pocahontas and John Smith meeting and had a great time."

The students on this trip thoroughly enjoyed themselves and look forward to future trips from the Honors Club and History Club. Stay tuned for a proposed Spring 2011 trip to Boston!

Honors College Pumpkin and Apple Picking



Nineteen students from both the Honors College and Intersivity Christian Fellowship traveled to pick pumpkins and apples on Saturday, October 9th. The group carpooled from William Paterson to Demarest Farms in Hillsdale, NJ and took a hay-ride to get to the apple orchard and pumpkin patch. Though late in the season, many students were able to pick apples and return to school with different kinds of the fresh fruit. Some were even seen climbing into trees to grab a treat!



Kat Silverstein in a tree with an apple in hand.



Getting ready for apple and pumpkin picking



Members of Intersivity posing for a picture



Everyone waiting to start picking pumpkins



New and Improved Honors College Website

The new Honors College website is now up and running. Students can learn more about the Honors College, current honors courses, faculty and staff, service projects, tracks, news, and events. The Honors College would like to thank office assistant, John Fromholtz, for developing the new website and his continued efforts to improve it. Please check it out at <http://www.wpunj.edu/honors-program/>.

Honors College Cluster classes head to New York City



Honors students and professors traveled to the American Museum of Natural History with Professors Sara Nalle, Maureen Martin, and David Snyder (shown left).

(Bottom left) The cluster led by Professors Neil Kressel, Miryam Wahrman, and Gennifer Furst traveled to Ellis Island.

(Bottom right) Cluster courses taught by Professors John Peterman, Glen Sherman, Pixy Ferris, Doris White, and Susan Dinan at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.



Painting leads to Relaxation...

On Tuesday, October 13, Rachael Mierzwa, hosted a *Color Me Mine* Ceramics Night and taught the students useful skills to create different color effects and designs on their mugs and bowls. The majority of the painters, however, decided to employ their own artistic talent for their creations that emphasized favorite colors, hobbies, and other interests.

Within the first half-hour, all of the available pieces were being painted and students who arrived late to the event were turned away. Several of them asked if the event will be repeated next semester and were told that it's possible that another Ceramics Night will be held in the spring.

Since many of the students had attended the Ceramic Painting Night during the Spring 2010 semester, they felt comfortable with the materials and they were ready to try more advanced techniques.

All in all, everyone had a great time and they are looking forward to another opportunity to paint. Please watch for more information about a potential Ceramics Night for the Spring!



WPU students painting mugs and bowls

Below: Vickie Colman paints a candy dish for her office



Kellye Statz and her masterpiece!



More students excited for ceramics!

Honors Club & Honors College Winter Clothing Drive

Who: Generous people who want to help others in need in our community



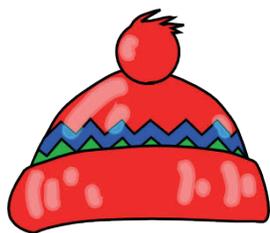
What: Gently used or new Coats (all sizes, including kids) New Scarves, Hats, and Gloves (homemade or store-bought)

When: Wednesday, October 27 through Friday, November 19

Where: Boxes will be in the University Commons & at the Honors College office (Raubinger Hall, 1st floor, through the Graduate Studies glass door)



****All proceeds go to the Passaic County Head Start****



Collecting, Transporting and Donating Warmth



A local Boy Scout troop collected and donated coats and other winter gear to the coat drive.

The annual Honors Coat drive was a great success. Nearly 200 coats, and dozens of hats, scarves, and pairs of gloves/mittens were collected and donated to the Passaic County Head Start Program in Passaic, NJ.

On Friday, November 19, Honors Club volunteers Rachael Mierzwa and her dad, along with Miranda Van Dunk, Cindy Antunes, and Hannah Vallangca, unloaded two cars with 30 bags of coats and accessories as well as 55 handmade scarves.

The donations were received by Robin Burgos, Deputy Director of the Head Start Program. The volunteers spent time in a classroom, where the children tried on some of the coats and scarves. They also toured the facility, and learned how the program provides a structured education for the 75 preschoolers enrolled at that location. The items collected at the Honors Coat Drive will be given to the children who are enrolled in the program, and their parents. It was a very rewarding experience!



Items collected from the on-campus coat drive



Cindy Antunes with one of the kids



Honors Student, Miranda Van Dunk, assists a child with a coat.



Wrapped with love



Looking cool, staying warm!



Say "Cheese!"



All of the volunteers with an entire class of children

Annual Honors College Holiday Party

Come join us for a festive afternoon
with holiday cheer!

Tuesday, November 30th, 2010
From 3:00– 4:30 in Hobart
Manor

*All students and faculty
involved with Honors are
invited to attend*

For more information, please email
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Upcoming Events

| Date | Location | Time | Event |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|------------|---|
| Tuesday, November 30 | Hobart Manor | 3:00-4:30 | Honors College Holiday Party |
| Tuesday, December 7 | 4th floor of High Mountain East | 12:30-1:45 | Honors Club Meeting/Lunch in the Lounge Program: Honors Student, Brian Messenger, will discuss his "study abroad" experience |

Continue to check your university e-mail for important information from the Honors College. For more details about Honors Club events, or getting involved, contact Rachael Mierzwa at Mierzwar@student.wpunj.edu.

The following Honors courses still have openings for the Spring 2011 semester

Arts and Communication:

COMM 101 - Introduction to Theatre -- J. Beal

Day and time

F, 11:00 - 1:40

ARTH 101- Approaches to Visual Art -- C. Goldstein

MW, 11:00 – 12:15

Humanities:

ENG 150 - Introduction to Literature -- S. Fisher

MW, 2:00 – 3:15

ENG 150 – Introduction to Literature – P. Cioffari

MW, 3:30 – 4:45

HIST 102 - *The West and the World: The Age of Discovery to Decolonization* -- S. Dinan, TR, 8:00 – 9:15

SPAN 106 – *Basic Intensive Spanish I and II* - O. DelaSuaree

MTWR, 11:00 – 12:15

Math and Science:

ENV 115 – *General Geology* – K. Swanson --

TR 11:00 – 12:15, Lab: R 2:00 – 4:40

Race and Gender:

WGS 150 – *Racism and Sexism* – C. Sheffield—

TR, 2:00 – 3:15

Social Sciences:

ANTH 130 – *Introduction to Anthropology* -- M. Villar

M-W, 9:30-10:15

PSY 210 – *Developmental Psychology* – N. Pakizegi

TR, 2:00 – 3:15

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

